CHAP. XCVI.

CHAP. 96.

In Act to encourage the destruction of Crows in the several Counties therein mentioned. (a) Lib. JG. No. 4, fol. 494.

Passed Jan. 7, 1804

(a) This act repealed as to Prince George's, Cecil, Anne-Arundel, Saint-Mary's, Charles, Baltimore and Kent, by 1807, ch. 71; and as to Somerset county, by 1817, ch. 147.

1. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That if Allowance for any person residing in Kent, Anne-Arundel, Saint-Mary's, Cecil, Baltimore, Montgomery, Charles, Prince-George's or Somerset counties, shall bring to any justice of the peace of the county in which such person shall reside, the head or heads of any crow or crows, such person shall, for every such head, be allowed, in the county levy of the said county, the sum of ten cents, and the justices of the peace before whom such head or heads shall be brought, is hereby required to give the person bringing the same a certificate thereof, and cause the said head or heads to be burnt, or otherwise destroy-

2. PROVIDED NEVERTHELESS, AND BE IT ENACTED, That no per- Proviso.

son whatsoever shall be entitled for any allowance for any such head or heads, without first making oath, or affirmation, as the case may be, that such crow or crows was or were killed in the county where such certificate is applied for, and that no certificate hath been obtained from any other justice of the peace for the same; and that it shall be the duty of each and every justice of the peace before whom such head or heads may be brought by virtue of this or any other act now existing for the destruction of crows, to take and receive the oath or affirmation of the party bringing the same, free and clear from all charges against the person or persons making such eath or affirmation, any thing to the contrary in any law notwith-

3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That all acts relative to the destruction Acts repealed. standing. of crows in the several counties herein mentioned, heretofore passed,

be and the same are hereby repealed. (b) (b) These acts passed 1794, ch. 31, 1795, ch. 3, 1796, ch. 39, 1797, ch. 16, 22.

4. This act to continue and be in force until the first day of Ja- Duration, nuary, eighteen hundred and six.

Further continued by 1806, ch. 52, until the 31st of October then next, and until the end of the next session thereafter, &c. and by general continuing acts at every annual session since then.

CHAP. XCVII.

An Act for the benefit of Arthur Thompson, of Saint-Mary's County. Passed Jan. 7, 1804 Lib. JG. No. 4, fol. 495.

CHAP. XCVIII.

An Act extending the time for taking the Bond of the Sheriff of Mont- Passed Jan. 7,1304 gomery County. Lib. JG. No. 4, fol. 496.

WHEREAS it is provided by an act of the general assembly, pass- Preamble. ed at November session, seventeen hundred and ninety-four, (\*) enti- \*Ch. 54. tled, An act for the amendment of the law in certain cases, that the sheriff's bond shall hereafter be taken on some day between the eighth of October and the first day of January in each year: And whereas Benjamin Ray, junior, the sheriff elect for Montgomery county, hath not entered into bond agreeable to the above recited act, therefore,